National Literacy & Numeracy Week
This week we have celebrated National Literacy and Numeracy week with a numeracy focus. Students were involved in a whole school rotation today with a visit to each classroom for a quick, dynamic maths game in mixed age groups. Lots of fun was had by all throughout the rotations with many smiling faces actively engaged in the maths activities. Our thanks to Mr Hollick for organising and facilitating this.

Bins
You may have noticed that we have installed 3 new bins in our playground. It has been some time since we’ve had permanent bins in the yard, so please encourage your child to show pride in our yard and environmental responsibility by disposing of their rubbish in the right way—not by keeping it in their pockets!

Grounds Development
Thanks to the work of our School Council, and the insightful feedback from our families last term, we are now ready to begin work on our two highest ranked grounds items—the oval and our ‘Outdoor Classroom’! The first stage for the ‘Outdoor Classroom’ is to begin raising money, as well as gathering materials, through a Name Pavers Fundraiser. Information about this went home with each eldest child on Monday. We would love to see as many families as possible get involved with this project, not only to raise funds, but also to be part of an enduring reminder of your contribution to our school through having your family name inscribed in a paver that will form part of our grounds.

Father’s Day Stall
Next Friday, September 5th will be our annual Father’s Day Stall. If you haven’t already, please support our hard working P&F group by donating something for the stall. If you’re available on the day, or in the lead up to the day, please let us know at the office—many hands make for light work!

Winter Sport
Last week we hosted Colac West for Winter Sport with our senior students participating in football, netball and volleyball. Although we were beaten in 2 out of 3 sports on the day our students once again demonstrated excellent sportsmanship. GO EPS!

“Small and snotty to tall and spotty”!
Next Wednesday our Years 5/6 students are lucky enough to be involved in a resilience workshop titled “Small and snotty to tall and spotty” facilitated by BATForce. This is a great opportunity for our kids to hear from outside speakers about resilience, personal goal setting and self esteem. There is also a parent forum that evening from 7pm in the BER Building—we encourage as many parents as possible of our senior students to come along to that evening, with or without the children, to both enhance the learning for our students, as well as to pick up a few tips for dealing with the tricky transitional period of adolescence!

ES Month
The celebration and recognition of our Education Support Staff continues throughout the month of August—this week it’s a chance to recognise the work of our Library Assistant, Jane. Jane’s hard work allows our children to choose from a range of books each week to foster their love of reading.
This week's Principal’s Award goes to Amber J/F!

Amber shows great pride in her school and our playground environment. She is a wonderful ambassador for our school.

Well done Amber!

Students Of The Week!

Prep - Zarah D for her helpfulness towards others. A great team member.
P/1T – Jorjah E for being brave and bouncing back!
1/2H – Machrie I for consistently doing his personal best with tasks.
2G - Annalise L for always approaching her learning with a smile and positive attitude.
3/4H– Frankey F for being a responsible member of the class team.
3/4R— Lori P for wonderful work on Rubric Tasks and for being a great team member.
5H— Makayla B for always being organised and ready to learn.
6T— Hayley F for being a very good sport at the netball and for her outstanding effort at the EO Photo Hunt activity.
Art - Clare H for being kind, considerate and helpful.
Zara C for being a shining example of EPS studentship for Mrs Stickland.

Attendance Award — This week goes to 1/2H for excellent attendance in Week 5 of Term 3! Congratulations 1/2H.
Sports Award— Xavier Buckle—for being a great sport in PE, but also for helping to collect equipment.
**Canteen**

Friday 29th August, 2014

Morning Supervisor:  
**Sallee Sell**  
9:00am: Claire Suares, Debra Reynolds, Natasha H

Afternoon Supervisor: **Melinda Chambers**  
12:30pm: Emma Warton, Leonie Walton

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**Professional Guitar & Keyboard Tuition**

We have an amazing opportunity to offer professional guitar and keyboard tuition to students starting in Term 4. The program is run by Music Stars – Australia’s leading provider of school music tuition.

Music Stars provides:
- Group guitar and keyboard tuition
- Weekly 30 minute sessions
- Very Affordable! $110 per term
- Caters for all grades & music levels
- Convenient! Lessons at school!

**Guitars and keyboards supplied for every student to use during lessons!**

If you require more information or would like to discuss the program in more detail please contact Music Stars directly—Phone: 1300 889 179 Email: info@musicstars.com.au Web: www.musicstars.com.au

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**3/4 CAMP THANK YOU**

We would like to say a Big thank you to Greg Harrington, all our fantastic students and staff for making our Sovereign Hill Camp a great success.

Thanks,  
Sarah & Rebecca

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**FATHER’S DAYS HELP REQUIRED**

If you are able to help sort and wrap items for our Father’s Day Stall, we are meeting in the school Canteen after assembly next Monday 1st September.

Thanks,  
Barb Muller

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**SMALL AND SNOTTY TO TALL AND SPOTTY**

The BOUNCE Program Parent/Carer Education Session  
Wednesday September 3rd  
@ 7.00pm  
Venue: Elliminyt P.S. BER Building

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**BOOKCLUB**

Book club order forms were sent home last week. Orders can be placed in the box in the foyer. If you are paying by cheque please make it payable to ‘Scholastic’.

If you wish to order books without your child’s knowledge please mark this request very clearly on the order form. You will be personally contacted when the orders arrive so that you can collect the books from the office.

Orders for this issue are due back this Friday 29th August.

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**FATHER’S DAY STALL FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2014**

With Father’s Day fast approaching, we need your help to make it a success! All donations are greatly appreciated no matter how small. Where possible, donations in lots of 8 help spread our gifts evenly over our classes. Stuck for ideas? Stubby holders, baked goods (list ingredients), playing cards, lollies, chocolates, beanies, hats, aftershave, mugs, plants, books, key rings, torches, photo frames. Browse through Spoils or Treasure Hunters and find a bargain. Let’s surprise Dad this Father’s Day. Every child who brings a contribution will get a raffle ticket to win a jar of lollies! One jar per classroom means great odds!
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